

Mary McIntire

Candidate for Member-at-Large

Mary is presently an Information Systems Manager 3, for the Department of Transportation. She is a graduate of the TGMI Class of 2010.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Mary enjoys working out and spending time with people from Nashville Aikikai. She also enjoys reading, gardening, traveling, hiking, and watching football with her husband.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Twenty-five years ago Mary started Nashville Aikikai, a non-profit organization aimed at teaching people to solve conflicts harmoniously. She still runs this program today. Mary also heads fundraisers for Second Harvest annually, CASA and various impoverished individuals who make the news due to tragic incidents. Mary also coordinated providing stockings to the Head Start program in East Nashville, until they closed a few years ago. This involved raising money, buying stockings, toys, candy, stuffing the stockings, and delivering them. It was a very rewarding experience for her.

MOST MEMORABLE TGMI EXPERIENCE: “We are the unstoppable Class. The flood of May 2010 happened the beginning of our first week and those leading the session anticipated that several of us would be unable to attend. To their surprise and in spite of the personal hardships the flood caused for many of us, the only class member who didn’t show was a TDOT employee who was working long hours to get the roads clear.”

REASON FOR WANTING TO BE MEMBER-AT-LARGE:

“The two weeks I spent taking the TGMI Class were two of the most enlightening and inspiring weeks of my career. The variety of the sessions and their pertinence to our jobs was impressive. As individuals our challenge is to build on that experience, continuing to grow and becoming better leaders throughout the rest of our careers. The challenge for the TGMI Steering Committee is to provide the best possible opportunities to help us with that growth and improvement.

I've always been impressed by the variety of opportunities TGMI offers. Not only do we have professional opportunities such as the conference on October 30th, but we also do everything from working with Habitat for Humanity or Second Harvest to having evening socials. As a Member-at-Large I would welcome the opportunity to be a part of determining what activities are likely to be most meaningful to members and helping to coordinate those activities. For example, I think the TGL Black Belt Leadership Program sounds like a wonderful opportunity and I'd like to be part of seeing it succeed within TGMI.

TGMI is influential for many people and I believe it has the potential to be even more influential to more people. I'd like to see participation in the TGMI continue to grow and I'd like to become part of making that growth happen.

I would be honored to serve on the Committee and I would greatly appreciate your vote of Member-at-Large."